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SUBJECT: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PREDICTING PHYSICAL
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THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, U.S.A.

Sir:

AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed August 26, 2005, please amend
the above-identified application, as follows.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.